UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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YAHER ISRAEL BABAYOF A/K/A YAIR ISRAEL BABAYOFF AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

Index No. 12 CV 6073 (WFK)(RLM)

-against-

THE CITY OF NEW YORK P.O "JANE DOE" AND "JOHN DOE" 1-10

1 through 10 inclusive The names of the last defendants being fictitious, the true names of the defendants being unknown to the plaintiff(s)



Defendant (s)

Plaintiff, YAHER ISRAEL BABAYOF complaining of the defendants, The City of New York, (Police Officers and Detectives "John" and Jane Doe), collectively referred to as the defendants, upon information and belief alleges the follows:

### **NATURE OF THIS ACTION**

1. This is an action at law to redress the deprivation of rights secured to the plaintiff under color statue, ordinance, regulation, custom, and or to redress the deprivation of rights, privileges, and immunities secured to the plaintiff by the Fourth, Eight and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution of the United States, and by Title 42 U.S.C 1983 [and 1985] and arising under the law and statues of the State of New York

 This is an Action to further see compensation for the serious and permanent personal injuries sustained by the plaintiff as a result of negligence of the defendants, perpetrated while said defendant while said

defendant police officers were in process of illegally and unlawfully arresting plaintiff and prosecuting

plaintiff which lead to dismissal of alleged charges

#### **JURISDICTION**

- 3. The jurisdiction of this court is invoked under 28 U.S.C 1343 (3) this being an action authorized by law to redress the deprivation of rights secured under color of state and city law, statue, ordinance, regulation, custom and usage of a right, privilege and immunity secured to the plaintiff by the Fourth, Eight and Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the Unite States.
- 4. All causes of action not relying exclusively on the aforementioned federal causes of action as a bases of this Court's Jurisdiction are based on the Court's supplemental jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C 1367 to hear state law causes of action. The events, parties transaction, and injuries that form the basis of the plaintiff's claims under applicable State and City Laws.
- 5. As the Deprivation of rights complained of herein occurred within the eastern District of New York

venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1391 (b) and (c).

#### **PARTIES**

 Plaintiff YAHER ISRAEL BABAYOFF resides in New York and is a resident of the State of New York

- 7. Defendants Police Officers are, and at all times, relevant to this action were, officers of the City of New York Police Department and acting under color of state law. Said officers are being sued in both their individual and official capacities.
- 8. The Defendant, City of New York is a municipality in the State of New York and employs the Defendants Police Officers.

#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS COMMON TO ALL CAUSES OF ACTION

- 9. From the period of March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2005 until March 2007 Plaintiff was a part owner of premises of 609 Sutter Avenue Brooklyn NY. 11207-4109 in the County of Kings in the confines of the 75<sup>th</sup> precinct, and was duly authorized to operate and control the premises with ongoing day to day operations including but not limited to collecting rents
- 10. At the above said premises there was a Tenant by the name of Nellie Gadson of which resided in Apartment 3R and which the rent was being paid every month through public assistance and New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Section 8 Program.
- 11. Plaintiff filed numerous complaints with the NYPD on alleged actions that she committed against the plaintiff's property to which the NYPD refused to press charges on
- 12. Instead on or about May 29 2006 while Tenant authorized plaintiff to repair door in writing and insisted that her

repairman commence the repairs the Tenant called the police and Police Officer Munoz and Capputo responded to

the scene and arrested plaintiff on the grounds of trying to illegally evict the Tenant.

12. Tenant again filed another police complaint to which plaintiff was ultimately arrested for a claim that plaintiff violated a limited order of protection while the plaintiff was not in the same floor to which the tenant resided in which ultimately resulted in a dismissal due to no signature of the supporting deposition from the complaining witness

- 13. On or About February 20 2007 plaintiff received a phone call from a detective Quinoneiz from the 75<sup>th</sup> precinct with a complaint from the same Tenant stating that the plaintiff fraudulently obtained section 8 funds from NYCHA. Because repairs were not made to her apartment and stole funds from NYCHA Plaintiff was arrested and held in Central Booking Cell for 20 Hours
- 14. Months leading after the arrest plaintiff sued NYCHA in small claims court to which the court did not even hold subject matter jurisdiction on such claim and NYCHA settled with plaintiff in full on all the outstanding arrears including the month in question
- 15. In 2008 head council for NYCHA wrote a unsolicited letter to the plaintiff stating that there was no wrong doing on plaintiff's part and further stating that the alleged damages were caused by deliberate misuse of tenant which would not cause an interruption of rent subsidy
- 16. Having this information the City of New York still perused with a case stating in signed affidavits that that the plaintiff stole money from the city which ultimately lead to a dismissal of charges in December 9 2009
- During All times of his Detention plaintiff was deprived of Kosher Food and not allowed to conduct prayer services
- 18. In November 15<sup>th</sup> 2007 at or around 8:30PM I was approached by a creditor's business partner David Zerbib who attacked plaintiff and his mother and induced me to pay a debt that was to be owed to his partner Solomon Faclaev plaintiff was caused physical injury I ran to the police station and instead of pressing charges against him the police refused to arrest him and arrested me on the grounds that the plaintiff had a concealed knife even though the police did not find any in my vehicle or in my possession when I submitted my self to a search I was refused medical attention and the officers sustained the positions that I had no injuries
- 19. the case was dismissed in April of 2008,
- 20. It was only about a couple a month ago that I was approached by a person in the community which stated to me that the complaining witness David Zerbib told him that he had to make a false complaint to the

police in order to induce plaintiff to repay his alleged debt to his business partner

of 2011.

21. On March 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 on or about 10:30 am at the location of 144-33 Melbourne Avenue I was arrested by detective John Doe for false claims that plaintiff attacked his father and destroyed property there was claim to support such accusation which ultimately lead to a dismissal of charges in June of 2010
22- On October 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 on or about 9:30am at 144-33 Melbourne Avenue Flushing NY
Plaintiff was arrested by Police Officer John Doe on accusations that plaintiff hit her sister
and cause her physical harm and violated an order of protection to which I was never served

of I was held in detention and caused harm for 12 hrs which that case was dismissed in April

23 On January 3rd 2012 at or around 11:30am plaintiff was wrongfully arrested at 144-23 72<sup>nd</sup> avenue for an alleged incident that plaintiff broke a window of a creditor who came to that location specifically to post sign against plaintiff and his family to induce a repayment of debt despite orders that were entered in the bankruptcy court that creditor Solomon Fachlaev will not take such actions

Plaintiff was arrested and case is still pending on that charge plaintiff sustained physical injuries from Solomon Fachlaev who was never charged and prosecuted as a cross defendant due to the fact that the city of New York claimed that plaintiff was arrested in the past although never convicted (Thank G-d) and cannot get along with your own family.

- 24. at the same time they arrested me again on an open complaint submitted by Detective John Doe that I Violated an Order of Protection
- 25. In February of 2012 at or around 7:00 pm 6909 138<sup>th</sup> street Flushing NY. I was arrested again for violating an order of protection from plaintiff's sister and alleged physical injuries the 107<sup>th</sup> precinct did not have any pictures from plaintiff's sister showing any injuries.
- 26. Both arrests that were mentioned in 24 and 26 were dismissed

- 28. At no time did plaintiff commit any offense aim. "nst the laws of New York City and or State for which an arrest may be lawfully made. 1.
- 29. As a direct and proximate result of defendants' actions, plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer injuries, including but not limited to emotional distress, nightmares, panic attacks, mental anguish and unwarranted severe anger bouts some or all of which may be permanent. Plaintiff has sought treatment for these injuries.
- 30. The unlawful arrest of plaintiff, plaintiffs wrongful imprisonment because of defendants' knowledge of a lack of any legitimate cause or justification, were intentional, malicious, reckless and in bad faith.
- 31. As a direct and proximate result of defendants actions, plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer, mental anguish, repetitive injury, psychological and emotional distress, and physical pain and suffering, some or all of which may be permanent
- 32. As a direct and proximate result of his unlawful !detention, assault, confinement, Plaintiff has lived in terror of their attack, and continues to suffer from nightmares, are fearful of going outside and when he sees the police, and suffer various emotional attacks, in addition, and have been unable to function normally which has caused a severe strain and breakdown in her personal relationships, in and Outside of her home.
- 33. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's, actions, plaintiff was arrested, detained without just or probable cause.
- 34. As a direct and proximate result of defendants' !actions, plaintiff was deprived of rights, privileges and immunities under the Fourth, fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and the laws of the City of New York and the State of New
  - 35. Defendant City of New York, as a matter of 'policy and practice, has with deliberate

Indifference failed to properly sanction or discipline police officers including the

- defendants in this case, for violations of the constitutional rights of citizens, thereby causing police officers including defendants in this case, to engage in unlawful conduct.
- 36. Defendant City of New York, as a matter of Policy and practice, has with deliberate indifference failed to sanction or discipline police officers including the defendants in this case, who are aware of and subsequently conceal violations of the constitutional rights of

citizens by other police officers thereby causing and encouraging police officers including defendants in this case, to engage in uil/awful conduct.

- 37. The actions of defendants, acting under color of State law, deprived plaintiff of her rights, privileges and immunities under the laws and Constitution of the United States; in particular, the rights to be secure in his person and property, to be free from the excessive use of force and from malicious prosecution, abuse of process, and the right to due process.
- 38. By these actions, defendants have deprived plaintiff of rights secured by the Fourth, Eighth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, in violation of 42 U.S.C. Section 1983.
- 39. This action has been commenced within one year and ninety days after the happening of the event upon which the claim is based.

#### **AS A FIRST CAUSE OFACTION:**

### 42 U.S.C Section 1983-against all Defendants.

- 40. Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs above of this complaint, as though fully set forth below
- 41. By detaining and imprisoning plaintiff, without justification, probable cause or reasonable suspicion, using excessive force, and assaulting her, the Officers,

Defendants deprived Plaintiff of rights, remedies, privileges, and immunities

- guaranteed to every citizen of the United States, in violation of 42 U.S.C. Section 1983, including, but not limited to, rights guaranteed by the Fourth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments of the United States Constitution.
- 42.1n addition, the Defendants conspired among'. themselves to deprive plaintiff of his constitutional rights secured by 42 U.S.C. Section 1983, and by the Fourth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments to United States Constitution, and took numerous overt steps in furtherance of such conspiracy, as set forth above.
- 43. The Defendant acted under pretense and color of state law and in their individual and official capacities and within the scope of their respective employment as NYPD Officers. Said acts by the Defendants Officers were beyond the scope of their jurisdiction, without authority of law, and in abuse of their powers, and said Defendants acted willfully, knowingly, and with the specific intent to deprive the Plaintiff of his constitutional rights secured by 42 U.S.C. Section 1983, and by the Fourth, Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.
- 44. As a direct and proximate cause of the acts Of the defendants, plaintiff -suffered the following injuries and damages:
  - A. An arrest not based upon probable cause;
  - B. Unwarranted and malicious criminal prosecution;
  - C. Deprivation of liberty without due process of law;
  - D. Excessive force imposed upon him;:
  - E. Summary punishment imposed upon him; and
  - F. Denied equal protection under the law
  - 45. As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detailed

above, Plaintiff sustained the damages herein before stated.

# AS A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION: New York State Constitution, Art. 1 Section 12 against all Defendants

- 46. Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs of this complaint, as though fully set forth below.
- 47. By detaining and imprisoning plaintiff without !probable cause or reasonable suspicion, using excessive force, and assaulting them, the Defendant Officer deprived Plaintiff of rights, remedies, privileges, and immunities guaranteed to every New Yorker by Article 1, Section 12 of the New York Constitution.
- 48. In addition, the Defendant Officers conspired among themselves to deprive plaintiff of her constitutional rights secured by Article 1, Section 12 of the New York Constitution, and took numerous overt steps in furtherance of such conspiracy, as set forth above.
- 49. The Defendants Officers acted under pretense and color of state law and in their individual and official capacities and within the ;scope of their respective employment as NYPD Officers. Said acts by the Defendants Officers were beyond the scope of their jurisdiction, without authority of law, and in abuse of their powers, and said Defendants acted willfully, knowingly, and with the specific intent to deprive the Plaintiff of her constitutional rights secured by Article 1, Section 12 of the New York Constitution.
- 50. Defendants, their officers, attorneys, agents, servants and employees were responsible for Plaintiff's deprivation of his state constitutional rights.
  Defendants, as employer, are, is responsible for their wrongdoing under the doctrine of respondent superior.
- 51. As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detailed above,

plaintiff sustained the damages herein-before alleged.

# AS A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION: Assault and Battery—all Defendants

- 52. Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs of this complaint, as though fully set forth below.
- 53. In physically assaulting, handcuffing, threatening, intimidating plaintiff, the Defendants Officers, acting in their capacities as NYPD officers, and within the scope of their employment, each committed a willful, unlawful, unwarranted, and intentional assault and battery upon plaintiff.
- 54. As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detained above, Plaintiff sustained the damages hereinbefore stated.

# AS A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION: False Arrest and False Imprisonment—all Defendants

- 55. Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs of this complaint, as though fully set forth below
- 56. The Defendants wrongfully and illegally detained, and imprisoned the Plaintiff.
- 57. The wrongful arrest and imprisonment of the Plaintiff was carried out without a valid warrant, without Plaintiff's consent, and without: probable cause or reasonable suspicion.
- 58. At all relevant times, the Defendants acted forcibly in apprehending, detailing, and imprisoning the Plaintiff.
- 59. During this period, the Plaintiff was unlawfully and wrongfully assaulted, harassed, detained, and threatened.
- 60. Throughout this period, the Plaintiff was unlawfully, wrongfully, and unjustifiably detained, deprived of their liberty, and imprisoned.
- 61. All of the foregoing occurred without any fault or provocation on the part of the Plaintiff.

- 62. Defendants, their officers, agents, servants, and employees were responsible for plaintiff's detention and imprisonment during: this period of time. Defendants, as employer, are responsible for their wrongdoing under the doctrine of respondent superior.
- 63. The Defendants acted with a knowing, willful, wanton, grossly reckless, unlawful, unreasonable, unconscionable, and flagrant disregard of the Plaintiff's rights, privileges, welfare, and well-being and are guilty of egregious and gross misconduct toward Plaintiff
- 64. As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detailed above, plaintiff sustained the damages herein-before stated.

# AS FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION: Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress-all Defendants

- 65. The Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs of this complaint, *as* though fully set forth below.
- 66. The Defendants engaged in extreme and outrageous conduct, intentionally and recklessly causing severe emotional distress to plaintiff.
- 67. Plaintiff's emotional distress has damaged his personal and professional life because of the severe mental pain and anguish which were inflicted through deliberate and malicious detention and imprisonment by the Defendants Officers.
- 68. Defendants, their officers, agents servants, and employees were responsible for the intentional infliction of emotional distress suffered by the Plaintiff at the hands of the Defendants' employees. Defendants, as employers, are responsible for their wrongdoing under the doctrine of respondent superior.

As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detailed above plaintiff sustained the damages herein-before stated

69. As a direct and proximate result of the misconduct and abuse of authority detailed above,

plaintiff sustained the damages herein-before stated.

### **AS A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION:**

## Negligent and Retention of Employment Seirvices-against all Defendants.

- 70. Plaintiff hereby restates all paragraphs of this Complaint, as though fully set forth below.
- 71. Upon information and belief, defendants, owed a duty of care to plaintiff to prevent the physical and mental abuse sustained by plaintiff.
- 72. Upon information and belief, defendants owed a duty of care to plaintiff because under the same or similar circumstances a reasonable; prudent and careful person should have anticipated that an injury to plaintiff or to those in a like situation would probably result from this conduct.
- 73. Upon information and belief, defendants knw or should have known through the exercise of reasonable diligence that their employees were not prudent.
- 74. Upon information and belief, defendants' negligence in hiring and retaining the employees Defendants proximately caused Plaintiff's injuries.
- 75. Upon information and belief, because of the defendant's negligent hiring and retention of the aforementioned Defendants, Plaintiff incurred significant and lasting injuries.

# AS A SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

### Negligence against all Defendants

- 76. Plaintiff repeats and realleges all paragraphs as if each paragraph is repeated verbatim
- 77. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent acts of all the defendants, City of New York as set forth herein, plaintiffs suffered physical injury, conscious pain and suffering, medical expenses, lost wages, and severe mental anguish.
- 78. That by reason of the said negligence, plaintiff suffered and still suffers bodily injuries, informed and verily believes that they will continue to suffer for a long time to come and herein became sick, sore, lame and disabled and have remained sick, sore, lame and disabled since the aforesaid incident; has suffered great pain, agony and mental anguish and is

that said injuries are permanent; has suffered economic loss inasmuch as she was forced to, and are still forced to expend sums of money on medical treatment; that she was deprived of her pursuits and interests and verily believes that in the future she will continue to be deprived of such pursuits; and that said injuries are permanent.

79. This action falls within one or more of the exceptions of the New York State Civil Practice Law and Rules §1602.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff respectfully requests judgment against the Defendants as follows:

- On the First Cause of Action against all the !defendants, compensatory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial,: and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs under 42 U.S.C. Section 1988;
- 2. On the Second Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, and punitive damages against the Officers Defendants in an amount to be determined at trial.;
- 3. On the Third Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, punitive damages against the Defendants in an amount to be determined at trial;
- 4. On the Fourth Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, punitive damages against the Defendants in On the Fifth Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, punitive damages against the Defendants in an amount to be determined at trial
- 5. On the Fifth Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, punitive damages against

the Defendants in an amount to be determined at trial;

- 6. On the Sixth Cause of Action, against all defendants, compensatory damages in an mount to be determined at trial; and
- 7. On the Seventh Cause of Action, against all Defendants, compensatory damages in an amount to be determined at trial, punitive damages against the Defendants in an amount to be determined at trial;
- 8. Such other and further relief *as* this Court may deem necessary in the interest of justice. Dated:

February 14<sup>th</sup> 2013

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Respectfully Submitted

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